

PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE CON-  
CURRENT RESOLUTION 67, CONCURRENT RESOLUTION  
ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 1996-2002

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MAY 16, 1995.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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Mr. SOLOMON, from the Committee on Rules,  
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. Res. 149]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 149, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF RESOLUTION

The resolution provides a modified closed rule for the consideration of House Concurrent Resolution 67, the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal years 1996-2002 with six hours of general debate, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Budget Committee. The rule waives all points of order against the resolution and against its consideration.

The rule provides for the adoption in the House and Committee of the Whole of the amendment printed in this report. It then makes in order only the amendments in the nature of a substitute designated in section 2 of the rule to be offered only in the order specified, only by the Member designated, debatable for one hour each, and not subject to amendment, as follows: (1) by Representative Gephardt of Missouri printed in the May 16 Record, if achieving a balanced budget by the fiscal year 2002; (2) by Representatives Neumann of Wisconsin or Solomon of New York consisting of the text of House Concurrent Resolution 66; (3) by Representatives Payne of New Jersey or Owens of New York, printed in the May 16 Record; and (4) by the Minority Leader if printed by him in the Record not later than May 17, consisting of a revised budget submitted by the President to the Congress that achieves a balanced budget by the fiscal year 2002. The rule waives all points of order

against the amendments except that if an amendment in the nature of a substitute is adopted, it is not in order to consider further substitutes.

Following disposition of the amendments, the rule provides a final period of debate of ten minutes equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Budget Committee. The rule permits the Budget Committee chairman to offer amendments in the House to achieve mathematical consistency pursuant to section 305(a)(5) of Budget Act.

#### AMENDMENT CONSIDERED AS ADOPTED BY THE RULE

After section 4, insert the following new section:

##### **SEC. 5. AGRICULTURAL SAVINGS.**

Congress shall re-examine budget reductions for agricultural programs in the United States Department of Agriculture for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 unless the following conditions are met—

(1) land values on agricultural land on January 1, 1998, are at least 95 percent of the same values on the date of adoption of this resolution;

(2) there is enacted into law regulatory relief for the agricultural sector in the areas of wetlands regulation, the Endangered Species Act, private property rights and cost-benefit analyses of proposed regulations;

(3) there is tax relief for producers in the form of capital gains tax reduction, increased estate tax exemptions and mechanisms to average tax loads over strong and weak income years; and

(4) there is no government interference in the international market in the form of agricultural trade embargoes in effect and there is successful implementation and enforcement of trade agreements,

including the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) to lower export subsidies and reduce import barriers to trade imposed by foreign governments.

Redesignate the succeeding sections accordingly.